

The Summer Examination Season: Advice and guidance for parents/carers

The summer examination season is hugely important; it represents the culmination of 5 years preparation and the grades that students achieve will open doors to their futures.

The written examinations in the sports hall commence on Monday 11th May but there are important assessments (which will count towards students final grades) throughout the academic year.

A list of examinations (including examinations prior to May 2026) can be found within the examinations page of our school website by following the link below.

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Parents and carers play a vital role in supporting our Year 11 students during their final preparations and examinations. We believe it is essential to foster parental understanding, maintain clear and effective communication, and ensure consistency in the messages conveyed both at home and in school.

How can parents/carers support during the examination season:

- *Support and promote excellent attendance to school throughout the examination season (including 100% attendance to all examinations).*
- *Support the creation of a revision timetable outside of school, particularly in the weeks immediately prior to the start of the examinations and throughout the examination season.*
- *Familiarise yourself with the homework area within MCAS – this is where teachers will share advice, guidance and resources to support students' revision.*
- *Motivate and encourage students to try their hardest in their revision/preparation and during the examinations themselves.*
- *Please note the school will provide the following equipment for all students throughout the exam season:*
- *A clear water bottle (compliant with the JCQ regulations).*
- *Pencil cases – placed on each examination desk throughout the exam season.*
- *Calculators (for all relevant examinations) – we would however encourage student that have their own scientific calculator to bring these to their exams.*